IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al., Debtors. 1

PROMESA Title III

Case No. 17-BK-3283 (LTS)

(Jointly Administered)

APPLICATION AND ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

Comes now, Joseph G. Minias (the "Applicant") and respectfully states:

1. Applicant is an attorney and a member of the law firm of Willkie Farr &

Gallagher LLP, with offices at:

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2. Applicant will sign all pleadings with the name Joseph G. Minias.

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The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number listed as a bankruptcy case number due to software limitations and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are: (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3283-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); and (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686).

- 3. Applicant has been retained as a member of the above-named firm by Bettina M. Whyte, the COFINA Agent, to provide legal representation in connection with the captioned matter now pending before the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico.
- 4. Since 2003, Mr. Minias has been and presently is a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the State of New York, where Applicant regularly practices law. Applicant's bar license number is 4107637.
 - 5. Applicant has been admitted to practice before the following courts:

Court: Admission Date:

United States District Court for the September 27, 2005

Southern District of New York

- 6. Applicant is a member in good standing of the bar of the court listed in paragraph5.
- 7. Applicant is not currently suspended from the practice of law before any court or jurisdiction.
- 8. Applicant is not currently the subject of any complaint for unethical conduct, disciplinary proceeding or criminal charges before any court or jurisdiction.
- 9. During the past three years, the Applicant has not filed for pro hac vice admission in the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico.

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10. Local counsel of record associated with Applicant in this matter is:

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11. Applicant has read the local rules of this court and will comply with same.

Applicant has read Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico which provide in part that attorneys appearing pro hac vice must comply with the provisions set forth therein and pay an admission fee of \$300 per appearance in each new case before the Court. Accordingly, payment of the pro hac vice admission fee is attached hereto in

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests to be admitted to practice in the United

States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico for the above-styled case only.

the form of a check or money order payable to: "Clerk, U.S. District Court."

Dated: August 18, 2017

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New York, New York

Joseph G. Minias

Printed Name of Applicant

/s/ Joseph G. Minias

Signature of Applicant

I HEREBY CERTIFY, pursuant to Local Rule 83A(f), that I consent to the designation of local counsel of record for all purposes.

Dated: August 21, 2017

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Nilda M. Navarro-Cabrer

Printed Name of Local Counsel

/s/ Nilda M. Navarro-Cabrer

Signature of Local Counsel

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have served a true and correct copy of this document upon each attorney of record and the original upon the Clerk of Court accompanied by a \$300.00 pro hac vice admission fee.

/s/ Joseph G. Minias

Signature of Applicant

<u>ORDER</u>

	The Court, having considered the above Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice, orders
that:	
	the application be granted. The Clerk of Court shall deposit the admission fee to the
	account of Non-Appropriated Funds of this Court.
	the application be denied. The Clerk of Court shall return the admission fee to the
	applicant.
	SO ORDERED.
	In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this,
	HONORABLE LAURA TAYLOR SWAIN
	UNITE STATES DISTRICT JUDGE